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SUBJECT: GCOB STATEMENT ON VESCO

REF: NASSAU 1306

1. PRESS GUIDANCE WHICH WILL BE USED HERE AND WHICH
EMBASSY SHOULD USE IS SET FORTH PARA 2 BELOW.

2. THE U.S. IN JUNE REQUESTED THE PROVISIONAL ARREST FOR
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EXTRADITION OF ROBERT VESCO. THIS REQUEST ADDRESSED TO

THE BAHAMAS GOVERNMENT BEFORE INDEPENDENCE WAS PURSUANT TO THE EXTRADITION TREATY BETWEEN THE U.S. AND THE U.K. UNDER THAT TREATY IN THE PAST BOTH THE U.S. AND THE U.K. HAVE REQUESTED AND OBTAINED PROVISIONAL ARREST FOR EXTRADITION UPON A TELEGRAPHIC REQUEST THROUGH DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS WITHOUT THE PRESENTATION OF EVIDENCE. IN THIS CASE HOWEVER, WHILE THE GOVERNOR OF THE BAHAMAS RELAYED OUR REQUEST FOR PROVISIONAL ARREST TO A MAGISTRATE IN THE BAHAMAS WE WERE ADVISED THAT THE MAGISTRATE WAS NOT PREPARED TO AUTHORIZE PROVISIONAL ARREST WITHOUT THE PRESENTATION OF EVIDENCE. WHILE WE BELIEVE WE ARE ENTITLED UNDER THE TREATY TO PROVISIONAL ARREST WITHOUT PRESENTATION OF EVIDENCE, IN VIEW OF THE MAGISTRATE'S POSITION, IT WAS DECIDED NOT TO PURSUE THE PROVISIONAL ARREST MATTER FURTHER AT THAT TIME BUT TO PROCEED TO PREPARE THE EVIDENCE FOR A FORMAL EXTRADITION REQUEST. THE JUSTICE DEPT IS DOING THAT ON AN URGENT BASIS. RUSH

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